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## Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Expedited Procedure

In re application of: Lightner and Ng

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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION**

This Amendment and Response after Final Action (Amendment) responds to the Final Office action dated January 6, 2009. A three-month period for reply was set, making a response due on or before April 6, 2009. It is believed that no fees are required to file this response; if fees are required in connection with filing this document, please charge Deposit Account 02-4550. This response, submitted on or before **March 6, 2009**, is timely filed within two months from mailing of the Office action. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Office take action at an early date.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2. **Remarks** begin on page 5 and end with a brief conclusion on page 8.

Provided herewith as Exhibit A is a copy of Page 1 of Form 1449, submitted on April 9, 2007 and originally (partially) considered by the Examiner on June 13, 2008.